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1. COUNSELOR FLORES OF THE FORNMINISTRY'S HUMAN RIGHTS WORKING GROUP PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO EMBOFF TODAY (JAN 19):

A) ANGEL BUSTELLO-DETAINED UNDER EXECUTIVE DECREE 3196, DATED 7.12.76.

B) CLAUDIA INES PEIRO, JUAN MENDEZ, MR. AND MRS. AMERICA DELIA SADY, ALBA GAROFOLO, JULIO YANEZ, EDMUNDO AND SUSANA SZAPRIO, MARIO YACUB, JULIA KLENK, MIGUEL POINSTEAU--NONE IS LISTED AS BEING DETAINED BY THE EXECUTIVE.

2. AT EMBOFF'S REQUEST FLORES EXPLAINED THAT A CHECK WAS FIRST MADE AT THE INTERIOR MINISTRY TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THE PERSON WAS LISTED AS BEING DETAINED UNDER EXECUTIVE POWER (PEN). THEN, HE SAID, THD INTERIOR MINISTRY REQUESTS INFORMATION ON THE CASE FROM POLICE, PRISON AND MILITARY OFFICIALS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. A REPLY FROM THESE SOURCES MAY TAKE MONTHS, OR MAY NEVER COME AT ALL, HE SAID. THAT A NAME IS NOT LISTED UNDER PEN, THEREFORE, DOES NOT MEAN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT THE PERSON COULD NOT BE IN CUSTODY OF POLICE OR MILITARY SOMEWHERE IN THE COUNTRY. A CASE THAT IS "NOT REGISTERED" SIMPLY MEANS THE WORKING GROUP HAS NO INFORMATION ON THE PERSON'S WHEREABOUTS. IN ORDER NOT TO CONFUSE INTERESTED US CITIZENS, WE SUGGEST DROPPING "NOT REGISTERED" CATEGORY WHEN REPLYING TO INQUIRIES, AND SIMPLY REPORT THAT THE WORKING GROUP HAS NO NEW INFORMATION.

3. IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORES REQUEST (REFTEL, WE RESUBMITTED THE NAMES OF MIGUEL POINSTEAU, EDMUNDO AND SUSAZA SZAPIRO ANA D NEW CASE OF GUSTAVO PASIK FOR WHOM WE HAD IDENTIFICATION MEMBERS. FLORES EMPHASIZED THAT EACH NEW INQUIRY SHOULD INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION.

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